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EXPRESSION SYSTEM IN MICROORGANISM AND ITS USE

FOR EXPRESSING HETEROLOGOUS AND HOMOLOGOUS

PROTEINS

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

October 15, 2002 (Tuesday after Holiday)

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated May 14, 2002, the due date for filing a response having been extended one (1) month to September 14, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 86 and 108.

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 69. (amended) A gene expression system comprising:
- (a) an IF gene, or a functional analogue thereof;
- (b) a SakK gene, or a functional analogue thereof;
- (c) a SakR gene, or a functional analogue thereof;

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